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SOLDIER'S PLAY**



directed by

Eric Bultman

APRIL 11-14, 18-21, 1996

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Produced by special arrangement with
Samuel French, Inc.

The Cast

Tech. Sergeant Vernon C. WatersGlen Skinner
Captain Charles TaylorDuke Spinelli
Corporal Bernard CobbStephen Moses
Pfc. Melvin Peterson.....Gerald Davis
Corporal EllisLee'Roy Davis
Private Louis HensonJermaine Green
Private James WilkieAustin China
Private Tony Smalls.....Darryl Tyler
Captain Richard Davenport.....Reginald Brunson
Private C. J. MemphisEric Abrams
Lieutenant ByrdSteven Guyton
Captain WilcoxJeremy Fredericks

Setting

Time: 1944 – Place: Ft. Neal, Louisiana

There will be a fifteen minute intermission.

– Please –

NO FOOD OR DRINK IN THE THEATRE.

The concession area, on the porch, will be open during intermission.

NO PHOTOS DURING THE PERFORMANCE.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Producer.....Katie Damron
DirectorEric Bultman
Stage Manager.....Lorraine Washington
Set Designer/Technical Director.....Randy Abbott
Set Construction.....Randy Abbott, Kendy Burnett
Reginald Brunson
Box ConstructionNeil Sheehan
Lighting TechnicianMichelle Fredericks
Costume DesignerMarge Cowles
Costume Construction.....Marge Cowles,
Shannon Flaherty, Jeannie Purdy
Sound TechnicianJohn Osteen
Properties CommitteeAddie Williams
Dorothy Williams, John Osteen
Script ManagerDorothy Williams
Publicity CommitteeDee Renko, Suzanne Begley
Dawn Moretz
Newsletter.....Suzanne Begley
PhotographerDuke Spinelli
Box Office Manager.....Jeannie Purdy
ConsultantsLeroy Bowman
C. Raymond Wilcox
Vocal CoachElizabeth Book
House ManagersJunior Welfare League Volunteers
UshersSLT Theatre School Students

SPECIAL THANKS:

Kwame Dawes, Benny Ward, Bruce Mayer, Alice Drive
Middle School, Linda Parker

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tributions from the Junior Welfare League of Sumter,
The Sumter County Cultural Commission, and the
South Carolina Arts Commission.

CAST NOTES

Glen Skinner (Waters) Presently employed at the Sumter Law Enforcement center as a telecommunications officer, Glen worked as an extra on the Disney movie "Night John" and on the ABC Movie "Close to Danger". This is Glen's first production at SLT.

Duke Spinelli (Taylor) Duke appeared as Tom in "The Glass Menagerie" earlier this season. A Patient Relations Coordinator at Tuomey Regional Medical Center, Duke has performed with theatre companies in Denver, Co. and Monterey, Ca. This will be Duke's last production at SLT, at least for awhile. He will be moving to Spartanburg soon to be with his lovely wife Erika.

Stephen Moses (Cobb) A graduate of the University of South Carolina, Stephen is an instructor for the Lee County Adult Education Program. Leaving the drama of the classroom behind, Stephen makes his debut performance at SLT in "A Soldier's Play."

Gerald Davis (Peterson) This is Gerald's second production at SLT. He appeared in two cameo roles in last season's "The Boys Next Door". Gerald is a sports writer at The Item.

Lee'Roy Davis (Ellis) This is Lee'Roy's first production with SLT. Originally from Brooklyn, NY, he considers himself an excellent cook who loves to sing and write music. He is employed at Tuomey Regional Medical Center.

Jermaine Green (Henson) Originally from New York City, Jermaine is a very talented percussionist who has played with the Sumter Community Concert Band and the Sumter High Marching and Symphonic Bands. He is a student at Central Carolina Technical College. This is his first production at SLT.

Austin China (Wilkie) SLT audiences will remember Austin's portrayal of Doaker Charles in our 1994 season production of "The Piano Lesson". Austin is a teacher at Alice Drive Middle School.

Darryl Tyler (Smalls) This is Darryl's second play on the SLT stage. He appeared in the 1994 production of "The Piano Lesson" as Avery. A native of the Bronx, NY, Darryl settled in Sumter six years ago. He is employed at DPI as an electronic engineer.

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Reginald Brunson (Davenport) Reggie's return to the SLT stage marks his 20th year in the performing arts. He dedicates this performance to his mother and to the memory of his father and sister. He would also like to thank his extended family at CooperTools for their patience and sympathy during the past year.

Eric Abrams (C.J. Memphis) A Central Carolina student, Eric appeared in last season's "A Raisin In the Sun". He is a graduate of the SC Governor's School and has been recognized for excellence in the visual arts. He was recently accepted to the CALArts theatre school in Valencia, Ca. and was a featured extra in the Disney Movie "Night John" and the ABC movie "Close to Danger."

Steven D. Guyton (Byrd) Steve is employed at the Sumter City/Council Planning Commission and is a member of the S.C. Air National Guard. "A Soldier's Play" is his first production at SLT. He appeared in "Environ" an original production at Central Carolina where he is a student.

Jeremy Fredericks (Wilcox) As a member of the USAF, Jeremy is no stranger to being in uniform. This is his first appearance on stage at SLT. He worked backstage on "The Glass Menagerie" earlier this season.

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